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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S PEKING VISIT: CULTURAL EXCHANGE

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1. METROPOLITAN HAS GIVEN THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE
SEVERAL DEADLINES, AND LET EACH ONE OF THEM SLIDE.
NATIONAL COMMITTEE NOW THINKS THAT SEPT. 1 (OR WITHIN
A VERY FEW DAYS THEREAFTER) IS FIRM FINAL DATE AFTER
WHICH METROPOLITAN WILL BE FORCED TO MAKE OTHER
COMMITMENTS.

2. METROPOLITAN IS THINKING OF FOLLOWING SCHEDULE:
ARRIVE WASHINGTON JUNE 8 OR 9, 1978; JUNE 12-17 AT
KENNEDY CENTER; WEEK OF JUNE 19 IN BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA
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OR OTHER CITY; AT THE METROPOLITAN FOR TWO WEEKS
BEGINNING JUNE 26. IF THE CHINESE WISH TO PERFORM FOR
TWO ADDITIONAL WEEKS, THE MET WOULD BOOK THEM IN
MINNEAPOLIS, SAN FRANCISCO, OR OTHER CITIES.

3. IF THE CHINESE TROUPE DOES NOT COME IN 1978, THE
METROPOLITAN WILL BE UNABLE TO HOST THEM UNTIL 1980.

THEY ARE FULLY BOOKED FOR 1979. CHRISTOPHER

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